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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

136 FIELD POINT CIRCLE HOLDING COMPANY, LLC, Plaintiff,	19 Civ. 05656 (WHP)
-against-	REPLY AFFIDAVIT
ALEXANDER RAZINSKI and TANYA RAZINSKI	
Defendants.	

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)

Mitchell J. Baker, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am counsel to 136 Field Point Circle Holding Company, LLC (hereinafter sometime referred to as "136 FPC"), and I submit this affidavit in reply to the affidavits of

Alexander Razinski, sworn to June 21, 2021 (the "Alexander Affidavit") and Tanya Razinski, sworn to June 21, 2021 (the "Tanya Affidavit").

- 2. Mr. and Mrs. Razinski object to an award of the contractual attorney's fees sought herein on both factual and legal basis.
- 3. Factually, Mrs. Razinski in the Tanya Affidavit questions the reasonableness of certain time charges as well as the reasonableness of the hourly rate that were charged to the plaintiff. Mr. Razinski in his affidavit also makes generalized objections to the reasonableness of the fees.
- 4. In an effort to dispel any such objections and to lessen the burden on this Court, I will reduce my fees by every amount to which the Razinski object. As set forth in the Tanya Affidavit (See Tanya Affidavit ¶¶ 14-17) and summarized at page 11 of the Memorandum in Opposition of Mr. and Mrs., Razinski, dated June 21, 2021, the total amount to which they object is \$43,580.73¹, and I will reduce the amount sought herein by such amount to \$56,826.16.
- 5. Even if this Court determines that this reduced amount is not reasonable, Plaintiff asks for an award that this Court deems to be a reasonable fee.
- 6. While parties may enter evidence to establish the reasonableness of an hourly rate, the Court may also undertake its own analysis considering above all else what "a

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¹ The bulk of this reduction is for the fees of my associate in preparing the motion for summary judgment. Unfortunately, these charges were not broken down by specific efforts and the time expended. The time spent on this motion was very real, but as the time was not broken down, plaintiff will waive any claim to this amount.

reasonable, paying client would be willing to pay." Arbor Hill Concerned Citizens

Neighborhood Ass'n v. County of Albany, 522 F.3d 182, 184 (2d Cir. 2008).

- 7. In fact, "courts may use their 'considerable discretion' and weigh all case-specific variables, bearing in mind that a reasonable paying client wishes to spend the minimum amount necessary." *Mango v. BuzzFeed, Inc.*, 397 F.Supp.3d 368 (S.D.N.Y. 2019).
- 8. We therefore ask that the Court utilize its discretion to determine a reasonable rate. This will limit the additional attorney's fees that Plaintiff will have to expend and mitigate Defendants' concerns addressed in their opposing papers.
- 9. As to the remaining objections of Mr. and Mrs. Razinski, this Court is respectfully referred to Plaintiff's Reply Memorandum of Law submitted contemporaneously.

Sworn to before me this day 6th of July 2021

Notary Public

Anthony C. Saline

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NEW YORK

Registration No. 02SA6114914

Mitchell J. Baker

commission Expires August 23, 2024

AFFIRMATION OF SERVICE

MITCHELL J. BAKER, an attorney duly admitted to practice before the Courts

of the State of New York, hereby affirms the following to be true pursuant to Civil Practice Law

and Rules Section 2106:

1. I am over eighteen (18) years of age and am not a party to this action. I

reside in Irvington, New York.

2. On July 6, 2021, I served the within Reply Affidavit and Reply

Memorandum of Law by depositing a true copies thereof in sealed envelope, postage pre-paid,

within an official depository of the United States Postal Service located in the City of White

Plains, State of New York, in an envelopes addressed to:

Alexander Razinski

PO Box 8184

White Plains, New York 10602

Tanya Razinski

PO Box 8184

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Dated: White Plains, New York

July6, 2021

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